# Chelan-Douglas Health District Fresh Tree Fruit Sampling Health & Safety Guidelines

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- I. **Washing of Fruit** (apples, pears, peaches, nectarines, apricots & cherries). Note: Fruit should not be split nor have any open wounds. "Drops" should not be used.
  - Fruit must be washed under \*potable cold-running water prior to slicing or cutting.
  - A clean scrub brush should be used on apples.

## II. Hand-washing

- Hands should be washed prior to slicing, handling, and serving samples of fruit, using:
  - Warm running \*potable water,
  - Liquid soap,
  - Paper towels

#### III. Restrooms

• A restroom or portable toilet should be provided within 200 feet.

#### IV. No Bare Hand Contact with Fruit

- Food-grade disposable gloves shall be used when handling, washing, slicing and serving sliced fruit
- Replace gloves when they become torn, contaminated, or are removed.

### V. Clean Cutting Boards and Utensils

- Use clean cutting boards and utensils.
- Keep knives and utensils in a clean place while not in use.
- If cutting board or utensils become dirty, clean them using:
  - Sanitizer solution (1 teaspoon of bleach per gallon of water) and wiping cloths, or
  - Disposable "sanitizer wipes" made with chlorine or quaternary ammonia type sanitizer.

## VI. Display of Samples

• Samples shall be kept covered to protect from dust and insects, prior to serving.

### VII. Serving Samples

- Samples shall be served in a manner to prevent contamination by customers using any of the following methods:
  - Handing the sample to the customer with gloved hand(s)
  - Placing individual servings in a single use container, such as a plastic cup
  - Use of a toothpick
  - Serving the samples to the customer with tongs or scoops
  - Placing sample on wax paper or similar surface

<sup>\*</sup>Potable water means water from a Public water system or a Group A or B water system.